or has any other plan to expand/modernise the same; if so, the details thereof;

(d) the revenue earned by the said Exchange during last three years ending November, 1991, month-wise details with relevant percentage of increase/decrease;

(e) the names of such subscribers to whom telephone connections were allotted in Dibrugarh and Guwahati on out of turn basis during last three years; month-wise; and

(f) whether any up-date supplement to the existing Dibrugarh Telephone Directory is proposed to be issued, if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) As on 30-11-1991.

(i) Installed Capacity — 3000 Lines (Electronic Type)

(ii) Working connections—2967

(b) and (c) Category-wise waiting list as on 30-11-1991 *is*

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|---|---|
| (i) OYT | 23 |
| (ii) Non-OYT/General | 501 |
| (iii) Non-OYT/Special | 44 |
| Total | 568 |

The capacity of the existing exchange at Dibrugarh is proposed to be expanded in the early part of the 8th Five Year Plan and this would facilitate clearing of the present waiting list progressively.

(d) Details are given in the Annexure. *See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No- 77].

(e) Details are given in Annexure-*See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No- 78].

(f) It is proposed to publish telephone director}' for Assam Telecom. Circle which will include Dibrugarh also.

**Irregularities in Dibrugarh Telephone Exchange**

3345. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Area Manager, Telecom, Dibrugarh was delivered in the first week of September, 1991 copy of a specific complaint about serious irregularities pertaining to two telephones. working from Dibrugarh Telephone Exchange originally addressed to the S.D.O. (Phones), Dibrugarh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken so far in the matter; and

(c) whether Government contemplate any enquiry in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Complaint was received in respect of telephone Nos. 21421 and 21808 working from Dibrugarh Exchange. It was. alleged that Phone No. 21421 in the namer of Sh. Om Prakash Bharuka was used by Sri Ram Lai Garodia from March, 82 to April, 84 subsequent to disposal of land' and buildings by the former to the latter. During this period Department received all the dues. As the alleged misuse came-to the notice of the Department after a lapse of about seven years, no action could be taken in the matter.

The investigation relating to alleged misuse of telephone No. 21808 has revealed no misuse as this no. continues to be-in use Of the hirer M/s. Bihubar T.E. Ltd.

(c) Enquiry is not considered feasible at this stage.

**Delivery of Postal articles in Dibrugarh**

3346. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Head Branches and Sub Post Offices in the Dibrugarh Postal Division with their pin codes-

(b) the names of delivery post office in the Dibrugarh city area with the details of areas covered thereby;

(c)' whether delivery of postal articles in the Dibrugarh city area other than those covered by Dibrugarh Head Post Office are delayed by a minimum of 1 to 2 days; if so, the remedial steps, if any, proposed m this regard to bring the delivery system at par with the Dibrugarh Head Office;

(d) whether Government propose to include Lahoal and Mahanbari Airfield Post Offices in the Dibrugarh' City Area for streamlining delivery from these post offices at par with the Dibrugarh Head Office, if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government intend to bring Dibrugarh in the National Speed Post Net work and upgarde the postal administra tive set up at Dibrugarh in the near future, if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Appointment of Sab-Post Master in Salasar Post Office, Cham (Rajasthan)**

3347. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the date on which the present Sub-Post Master, Salasar Post Office in District Churu (Rajasthan) was appointed in postal service;

(b) the names of different places where the said Sub-Post Master was posted since his joining the postal service till now along with the actual duration at each such place;

(c) whether the said Sub-Post Master has been allowed to continue in Salasar Post Office for a long time in contravention of the service rules, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether it is a fact that the said Sub-Post Master remains mostly engaged/ busy in the Salasar Temple while on duty in his Post Office resulting in complete mess in the working of the post office and acute inconvenience *to* the users, if so, he remedial steps/action proposed in the matter; and

(e) whether any strictures have been passed by the Postal authorities against the said Sub-Post Master in the past, if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) 10-10-1971.

(b) (i) Gr. 'D' Sujangarh—10-10-71 to 11-9-76;

(ii) Clerical Training—14-9-1976 to 13-12-1976;

(iii) Clerk at Badi Sadri—14-12-1976 to 31-7-1977;

(iv) Clerk at Chahbar—1-8-1977 to 28-7-1978.

(v) Clerk at Salasar—29-7-1978 to 2-5-1985;

(vi) P.A. at Sujangarh—3-5-1985 to 17-1-1987;

(vii) P.A. at Salasar—18-1-1987 to 21-8-88 on deputation.

(viii) P.A. at Sujangarh—22-8-1988 to 3-5-1989; and

(ix) S.P.M. at Salasar—4-5-1989 Till date.

(c) Yes, Sir. By oversight the present sub Postmaster Salasar P.O. continued to work in Salasar Post Office from July, 1978 to May, 1985.

(d) No Sir. There is no complaint against him.

(e) No Sir. No strictures have been passed by the Postal Authorities against the sub Postmaster.